

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Application of:  
Yutaka Nomura et al.

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For: Epoxy succinamide Derivatives

Examiner: Richard L. Raymond

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c)**

On June 15, 2011, Nippon Chemiphar Co. Ltd. and Velcura Therapeutics Inc. entered into and executed an Agreement. Nippon Chemiphar Co. Ltd. assigned all patent rights for United States Patent No.: 6,387,908 to Velcura Therapeutics Inc. effective April 1, 2011.

Pursuant to said agreement an Assignment was executed by Assignor Nippon Chemiphar Co. Ltd. and Assignee Velcura Therapeutics Inc. The Assignment was recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2011, at Reel 027220, Frame 0572.

Applicant hereby states that applicant is a small entity and that status as a small entity is asserted for this Patent Application.

Assignee asserts that a change from large entity status to small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c) occurred on June, 15, 2011, and respectfully requests the Office to accord small entity status to Assignee Velcura Therapeutics Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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